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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A foldable electronic device comprising

a main body (1),

a closure (2),

a main display (4),

a subdisplay (5),

a frame (6),

a chip mount area (42) of a flexible lead (41) extending from the main display (4), and

a chip mount area (53) of a flexible lead (51) extending from the subdisplay (5),

the main body and the closure being connected to each other openably, the main display having a screen exposed from an inner surface of the closure (2), the subdisplay (5) having a screen exposed from a back surface of the closure (2), the frame (6) being provided inside the closure (2) and holding therein the main display (4) and the subdisplay (5) as arranged back to back, the chip mount area (42) and the chip mount area (53) being opposed to each other in an opening formed in the frame (6), the opposed surfaces of the respective chip mount areas (42)(53) having at least one portion with ~~groups~~ a group of electronic circuit chips (43)(54) mounted thereon and at least one portion free of ~~groups~~ a group of electronic circuit chips, wherein

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the at least one portion of the chip mount area (42) of the flexible lead (41) having ~~groups~~
a group of electronic circuit chips (43) oppose the at least one portion of the chip mount area (53)
free of ~~groups~~ a group of electronic circuit chips, and

the at least one portion of the chip mount area (53) of the flexible lead (51) having ~~groups~~
a group of electronic circuit chips (54) oppose the at least one portion of the chip amount area (42)
free of ~~groups~~ a group of electronic circuit chips.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): A foldable electronic device comprising:

a main body (1),

a closure (2),

a main display (4),

a subdisplay (5),

a frame (6),

a chip mount area (42) of a flexible lead (41) extending from the main display (4), and

a chip mount area (53) of a flexible lead (51) extending from the subdisplay (5),

the main body and the closure being connected to each other openably, the main display
having a screen exposed from an inner surface of the closure (2), the subdisplay (5) having a screen
exposed from a back surface of the closure (2), the frame (6) being provided inside the closure (2)
and holding therein the main display (4) and the subdisplay (5) as arranged back to back, the chip
mount area (42) and the chip mount area (53) being opposed to each other in an opening formed in

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the frame (6), the opposed surfaces of the respective chip mount areas (42)(53) having at least one portion with groups a group of electronic circuit chips (43)(54) mounted thereon and at least one portion free of groups a group of electronic circuit chips, wherein

the at least one portion of the chip mount area (42) of the flexible lead (41) having groups a group of electronic circuit chips (43) oppose the at least one portion of the chip mount area (53) free of groups a group of electronic circuit chips,

the at least one portion of the chip mount area (53) of the flexible lead (51) having groups a group of electronic circuit chips (54) oppose the at least one portion of the chip amount area (42) free of groups a group of electronic circuit chips, and

the flexible lead (51) extending from the subdisplay (5) has an outer end portion folded over toward the frame (6) side, and the folded-over portion has a surface opposed to the frame (6) and providing the chip mount area (53).

Claim 3 (Original): A foldable electronic device according to claim 2 wherein the frame (6) has said opening in a second area thereof adjacent to a first area thereof covered with the subdisplay (5), and the flexible lead (51) extending from the subdisplay (5) is folded over on the second area, the electronic circuit chips (54) in the chip mount area (53) being positioned in said opening of the frame (6).

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Claim 4 (Original): A foldable electronic device according to claim 3 wherein the flexible lead (41) extending from the main display (4) is folded over toward the frame (6) side, and the folded-over lead portion has a surface opposed to the frame (6) and providing the chip mount area (42), the electronic circuit chips (43) in the chip mount area (42) being positioned in said opening of the frame (6).

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): A foldable electronic device according to claim 1 wherein the flexible lead (51) extending from the subdisplay (5) has an outer end portion folded over toward the frame (6) side, and the folded-over portion has a surface opposed to the frame (6) and providing the chip mount area (53).

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): A foldable electronic device according to claim 5 wherein the frame (6) has said opening in a second area thereof adjacent to a first area thereof covered with the subdisplay (5), and the flexible lead (51) extending from the subdisplay (5) is folded over on the second area, the electronic circuit chips (54) in the chip mount area (53) being positioned in said opening of the frame (6).

Claim 7 (Previously Presented): A foldable electronic device according to claim 6 wherein the flexible lead (41) extending from the main display (4) is folded over toward the frame (6) side, and the folded-over lead portion has a surface opposed to the frame (6) and providing the chip mount

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area (42), the electronic circuit chips (43) in the chip mount area (42) being positioned in said opening of the frame (6).